1 Honorable James L. Robart 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 11 AT SEATTLE 12 SOUND ACTION, FRIENDS OF THE 13 SAN JUANS, AND WASHINGTON No. 18-cv-00733-JLB ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL, 14 STIPULATED MOTION AND 15 Plaintiffs, [PROPOSED] ORDER EXTENDING TIME TO RESPOND TO 16 **COMPLAINT** ٧. 17 UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF 18 ENGINEERS, Note on Motions Calendar: July 23, 19 Defendant. 2018 20 21 Defendant United States Army Corps of Engineers moves for a 60-day extension, to and 22 23 including September 28, 2018, for Defendant to file its answer or other responsive pleading to 24 the Complaint filed in this action. Plaintiffs Sound Action, et al., stipulate to this request for a 25 60-day extension. The grounds for this motion are as follows: 26 1) In this case, Petitioners challenge under the Administrative Procedure Act an 27 28 alleged decision by the United States Army Corps of Engineers pertaining to the boundary of 29 STIPULATED MOTION AND [PROPOSED] David J. Kaplan. United States Department of Justice ORDER EXTENDING TIME - 1 **Environmental Defense Section** P.O. Box 7611 Case No. 18-cv-00733-BAT Washington D.C. 20044

shoreline areas regulated under the Clean Water Act in the Corps' Seattle District and the alleged failure by the Corps to respond within a reasonable time to administrative requests regarding the Clean Water Act boundary at certain locations.

- 2) Plaintiffs served the Complaint on the Office of the U.S. Attorney on May 29,2018, and thus Defendant's answer or other responsive pleading to the Complaint is due July 30,2018.
- 3) Plaintiffs and Defendants wish to pursue preliminary discussions to assess whether a settlement of this case may be possible. To avoid litigation activities during this period, Defendants require an additional 60 days, until and including September 28, 2018, to prepare their answer or other responsive pleading to the Complaint in this action. This extension will facilitate the discussions between the Parties.
- 4) As noted above, Plaintiffs stipulate to this request for an extension.

 WHEREFORE, Defendants respectfully request an extension to and including September 28, 2018, to file their answer or other response pleading to the Complaint.

ORDER

IT IS SO ORDERED, on this 24 day of July, 2018.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing filing was electronically filed with the Clerk of the Court on July 23, 2018, using the Court's electronic filing system, which will send notification of said filing to the attorneys of record that have, as required, registered with the Court's system.

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